

# An Introduction to Sage

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- Overview
- Installation
- Basic usage
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- More applications and further reading
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If time permits,

- Contribution opportunities

- Graduate CS student at Amrita University, India.
- Passionate about computer security and Python.
- Use Sage in Cryptography labs, Mathematics courses and CTF contests.

# Sage: Overview

- GPL licensed mathematics software.
- Unified interface to about 90 popular Python libraries.
- Two modes: command(like Python shell) and notebook(web interface).
- Power of IPython shell and Python programming language.
- “sagerc” file: `$HOME/.sage/init.sage` or `$SAGE_STARTUP_FILE`.

# Arithmetic and built-in functions

- General arithmetic supported by an (I)Python shell.
  - $^$  is exponent and  $^^$  is XOR.
  - For integers,  $/$  reduces to lowest fraction and  $//$  performs integer division.
- Support mathematical functions and constants with arbitrary precision.
  - `pi.n(digits=20) = 3.1415926535897932385`
  - `e.n(digits=25) = 2.718281828459045235360287`
  - `golden_ratio.n(prec=60) = 1.6180339887498948`
  - `n(sin(pi/3), prec=60) = 0.86602540378443865`
  - `sqrt(263).n(digits=20) = 16.217274740226854774`
  - `n(cos(5*pi/4), prec=60) = -0.70710678118654752`

- Factorizing polynomials.

- $\text{factor}(x^4 - 15x^3 + 84x^2 - 208x + 192) = (x - 3)(x - 4)^3$
- $\text{factor}(x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6) = (x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)$

- Solving polynomial equations.

- $\text{solve}([x^2 - 4x + 2 == -1], x) = [x = 3, x = 1]$
- Solutions to  $x^2 + 3xy + y^2 = 0$  and  $x - y = 4 =$   
 $[[1.1055728, -2.8944272], [2.8944272, -1.1055728]]$

- Use `find_root` where `solve` does not work. Also useful to find solutions in a particular interval.

- $\text{solve}(\cos(t) == \sin(t), t) = [\sin(t) = \cos(t)]$
- $\text{find\_root}(\cos(t) == \sin(t), 0, \pi) = 0.785398163397$

- Modulus:  $\text{mod}(27, 12) = 3$  and  $\text{power\_mod}(27, 2, 12) = 9$
- Primality test:  $\text{is\_prime}(13) = \text{True}$ ,  $\text{is\_prime}(15) = \text{False}$
- $\text{prime\_range}(1, 35) = [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31]$ .
  - Generator version:  $\text{primes}(1, 35)$
- $\text{primes\_first\_n}(11) = [2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31]$
- $\text{next\_prime}(29) = 31$  and  $\text{previous\_prime} = 23$
- $\text{factorial}(20) = 2432902008176640000$ ,  $\text{factor}(20) = 2^2 \cdot 5$ ,  
 $\text{divisors}(20) = [1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20]$
- $\text{gcd}(10, 15) = 5$ ,  $\text{lcm}(10, 15) = 30$

- Differentiation

- $\text{diff}(\sin(x) + \cos(x)) = \cos(x) - \sin(x)$
- $\text{diff}((\sin(x^2))^3) = 6x \cos(x^2) \sin(x^2)^2$

- Integration

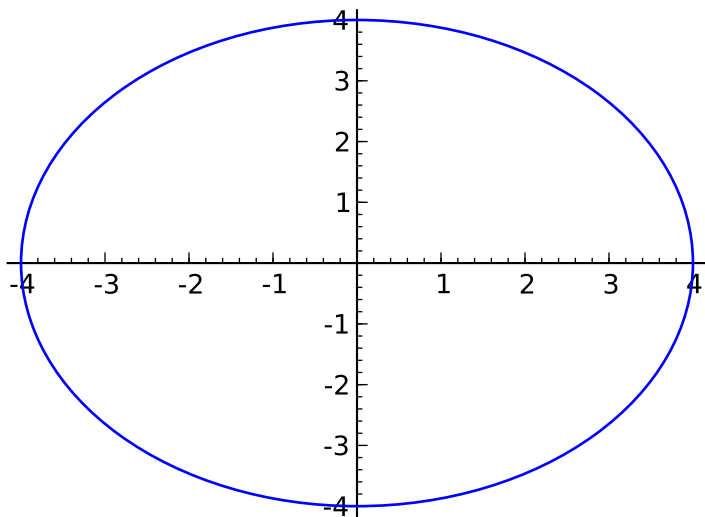
- $\text{integral}(\cos(x) - \sin(x)) = \sin(x) + \cos(x)$
- $\text{integral}(6 * x * \cos(x^2) * \sin(x^2)^2, x) = \sin(x^2)^3$

- Partial differential and solving differential equations also possible!



# Graph Plotting

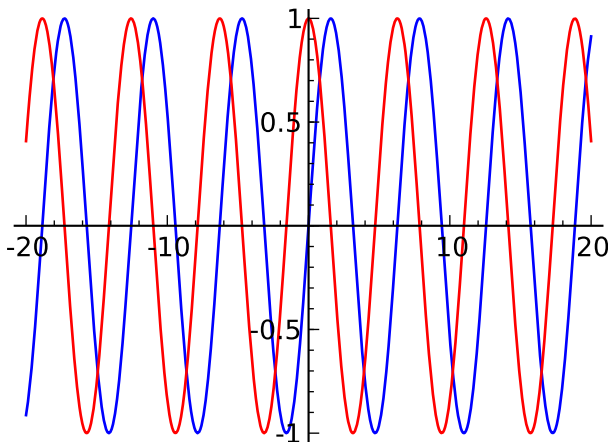
Circle of radius 4 centered at (0, 0):  $c = \text{circle}((0, 0), 4)$



# Graph Plotting(cont.)

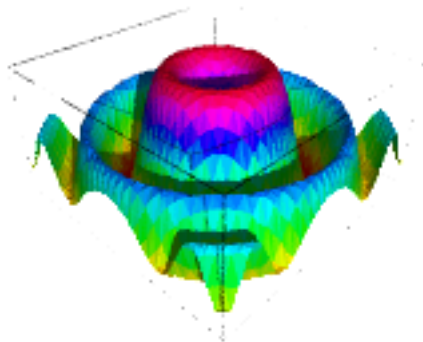
Multiple functions in same plot.

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plot(sin(x), -20, 20, rgbcolor = (0, 0, 1)) +  
plot(cos(x), -20, 20, rgbcolor = (1, 0, 0))
```



# Graph Plotting(cont.)

$$f = \frac{\sin(y*y+x*x)}{\sqrt{(x*x+y*y+.0001)}}: \text{plot3d}(f, (-3,3), (-3,3))$$



- Creating matrices:  $m = \text{Matrix}([[1, 2], [3, 4], [5, 6]])$
- Arithmetic operations
  - $P = \text{Matrix}([[1, 2], [3, 4]]), Q = \text{Matrix}([[7, 8], [5, 6]])$
  - $P + Q = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 10 \\ 8 & 10 \end{pmatrix}, P - Q = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & -6 \\ -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $P * Q = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 20 \\ 41 & 48 \end{pmatrix}, 4 * P = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 12 & 16 \end{pmatrix}$
- $P^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 37 & 54 \\ 81 & 118 \end{pmatrix}, P^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ \frac{3}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, |P| = -2$
- More functions: `is_singular`, `is_symmetric`, `is_skew_symmetric`, `is_invertible`, `is_square`

- L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X representation: latex(P)

```
\left(\begin{array}{rr}
1 & 2 \\
3 & 4
\end{array}\right)
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- view(P): Display PDF(pdflatex)/HTML(MathJAX) depending on mode.
- SageT<sub>E</sub>X: Call Sage commands from L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.
  - Regular statement: `\sage{pow_mod(27, 2, 12)}`
  - Plots: `\sageplot{plot(sin(x) + cos(x), -20, 20)}`
  - `\sageblock` and `\sagesilent`: Embedding Sage code

- Similar to Python scripts; .sage extension.
- import names from sage.all
- Run as sage <filename> <arguments> like Python.
- Other possibilities: profiling, compiling sage files(Cython), access C functions directly.

# Other applications

- Interfacing with other algebra systems(GP/PARI, Singular, Maxima)
- Polynomials
- Combinatorics
- Graph and group theory
- Linear algebra
- Elliptic curves
- Advanced portions of everything discussed

# References and further reading

- Sage tutorial:  
<http://www.sagemath.org/doc/tutorial/index.html>
- Thematic tutorials:  
[http://www.sagemath.org/doc/thematic\\_tutorials/index.html](http://www.sagemath.org/doc/thematic_tutorials/index.html)
- Tutorials for those with some mathematics background:  
<http://www.sagemath.org/doc/prep/index.html>



# Questions?

# Thank you!